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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT P 074 976 588

William and Preston Bown Utah Building Stone Supply 842 West 400 North Bountiful, Utah 84087

Dear Messrs. Bown:

Re: Reclamation Activities, Utah Building Stone, Grouse Creek Operations, M/003/031, Box Elder County, Utah

This letter is a follow-up to our May 22, 1997, meeting in the Division offices. During this meeting, the roads associated with the Grouse Creek Operations were discussed in detail, using a draft map that had been prepared by the Division from aerial photography. Roads were identified on this map and classified as to whether they were county (public roads), State, or other multiple use (by the BLM), and roads that were the responsibility of Utah Building Stone Supply. This map has been finalized and a copy is enclosed.

Of the roads identified that were the responsibility of Utah Building Stone Supply, it was determined which ones were needed for current operations, and which could be reclaimed. Reclamation would be accomplished by either: 1) constructing a barricade at the locations identified on the map and ripping and seeding the first 100 feet of road behind the barricade location; 2) ripping the road (track area), constructing water bars as needed to direct runoff off of the road, and seeding; or 3) ripping areas of compaction and seeding for interim stabilization (south slide area roads), unless these roads would be used in the near future.

While no time frame was determined during the meeting, the Division expects this work to be done quickly, considering the Division's Order that no stone is to be removed from this site until either sufficient reclamation is completed to reduce the disturbed acreage to less than 5 acres, or the site is permitted as a large mining operation and a reclamation bond is posted.

By way of this letter, the Division establishes a July 31, 1997, deadline to complete the reclamation. If not completed by this date, this matter will be noticed by August 10th for a September hearing before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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As agreed to in the meeting, Mr. Lynn Kunzler should be able to schedule a site inspection within a couple days of notification that the reclamation is done. Once the reclamation work is completed to reduce the acreage to less than five acres and verified by Division staff, you would be given permission to begin stone removal from the Grouse Creek Operations.

Please call if you have any questions regarding this letter or to schedule a site inspection.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Wright,

Associate Director of Mining

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Enclosure: Map

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John Blake, SITLA w/map Mike Ford, BLM w/map Lynn Kunzler, DOGM

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